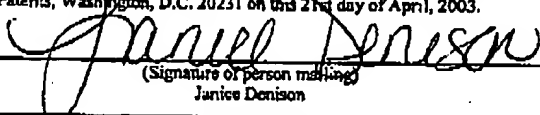


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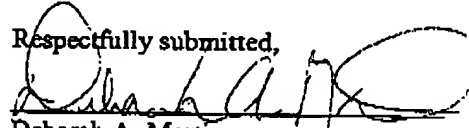
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In response to the Office Action mailed March 19, 2003 regarding the election of claims, Applicants elect claim set I, claims 1-5, with traverse.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees required, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 16-1445.

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